

V. REMARKS

It is respectfully submitted that the Amendment filed on June 1, 2004, is fully and completely responsive to the Office Action dated on March 1, 2004. However, as a courtesy to the Examiner, Applicant provides the following comments regarding claims 27-34 to assist the Examiner in the examination of the same.

Claim 27 (Method Claim)

Claim 27 corresponds to the first embodiment through the third embodiment.

Claim 27 describes an invention of a method of forming a vibration preventing damper in which a casing or a chassis member is taken as a damper "cover".

The original claim 1, which was the only claim as originally filed corresponding to a method of forming a vibration preventing damper, has been amended to conform to the first to the third embodiments.

Support for the amendment is based on Fig. 1 to Fig. 3, and the first embodiment through the third embodiment, in particular on the descriptions shown below from the specification as originally filed.

SUPPORT: (Description in line 9 to in line 11 on page 6)

The present invention is based upon a concept that the vibration preventing damper is directly formed on either one of the casing or the mechanical chassis.

SUPPORT: (Description in line 4 from the bottom to in line 5 from the bottom on page 6)

Then, in this case, since the casing or the mechanical chassis may also be used as a "lid" for closure of the damper housing....

SUPPORT: (Description in line 18 to line 23 on page 9)

According to this mechanical chassis apparatus, since the opening side end portion of the damper housing of the vibration preventing damper is fixed directly to the resin portion of the mechanical chassis, the mechanical chassis closes the opening side end portion as the "lid". Accordingly, the lid member that has been conventionally required is unnecessary.

SUPPORT: (Description in line 11 to line 13 on page 18)

Since any lid member for closing the damper housing 9 of the vibration preventing damper 8 is not required and a planar surface of the chassis 3 may be also used as "lid".

Claim 28 (Product Claim)

Claim 28 is a product claim that corresponds to the first embodiment through the third embodiment.

This is a product claim whose content corresponds to the method claim of claim 27.

Claim 28 conforms to the first through the third embodiments.

Support for the amendment is the same as that shown for claim 27.

Claim 29 (Method Claim)

Claim 29 corresponds to an invention that is disclosed in the fourth embodiment and shown in Fig. 4a.

Claim 29 describes an invention of a vibration preventing damper forming method in which the casing or the chassis member is used as a portion of the "damper housing". This point is the same as in claim 31. Differing from claim 31, however, the casing or the chassis member is manufactured by using a metal, and a resin portion is provided in a joining region of the vibration preventing damper.

Support for this amendment comes under the explanation of Fig. 4a and the fourth embodiment.

Claim 30 (Product Claim)

Claim 30 corresponds to the fourth embodiment and Fig. 4a.

Claim 30 is a product claim that corresponds to the method claim of claim 29.

Claim 30 as originally filed, in which there is description that includes this invention, is taken as an independent claim and amended to reflect content that conforms to only this invention.

Support for the amendment is the same as that shown for claim 29.

Claim 31 (Method Claim)

That is, claim 31 describes an invention of a vibration preventing damper forming method in which the casing or the chassis member is taken as a portion of

the "damper housing" of the damper. There is a limitation here in that the casing or the chassis member must be made from a resin.

SUPPORT: (Description in line 5 from the bottom to line 4 from the bottom on page 7)

In this case, it is possible to form the casing or the mechanical chassis as a whole of a resin material.

SUPPORT: (Descriptions in line 4 to line 5 on page 11)

With respect to the above-described mechanical chassis, the chassis as a whole may be made of a resin or of a resin or of a metal material.

Claim 32 (Product Claim)

This is a product claim that corresponds to the method claim of claim 32.

Claim 32 as originally filed, in which there is description that includes this invention, is taken as an independent claim and amended to reflect content that conforms to only this invention.

Support for the amendment is the same as that shown for claim 31.

Claim 33 (Method Claim)

This claim is concerning to an adhesive method using an ultrasonic wave heat bonding in the fifth and sixth embodiment.

Claim 34

This claim corresponds to present claim 3.

Claim 35

This claim is correspond to present claim 4.

Claim 36

This claim is correspond to present claim 14.

In view of the foregoing, reconsideration of the application and allowance of the pending claims are respectfully requested. Should the Examiner believe anything further is desirable in order to place the application in even better condition

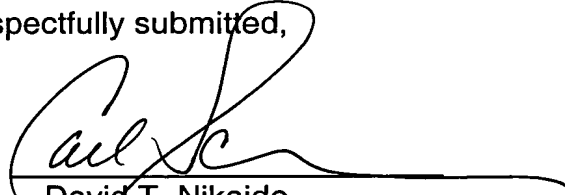
for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' representative at the telephone number listed below.

Should additional fees be necessary in connection with the filing of this paper or if a Petition for Extension of Time is required for timely acceptance of the same, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 18-0013 for any such fees and Applicant(s) hereby petition for such extension of time.

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